

IC 9-26-9

Chapter 9. Accident Reports and Fees

IC 9-26-9-1

"Accident response service fee"

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "accident response service fee" means a fee imposed for any of the following:

- (1) The response by a local law enforcement agency to a motor vehicle accident.
- (2) The investigation by a local law enforcement agency of a motor vehicle accident.

As added by P.L.198-2016, SEC.550.

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"Local law enforcement agency"

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "local law enforcement agency" means a political subdivision's department or agency whose principal function is the apprehension of criminal offenders.

As added by P.L.198-2016, SEC.550.

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Carrying out of law enforcement officer's duties; reports; copying; fees

Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), the main department, office, agency, or other person under whose supervision a law enforcement officer carries out the law enforcement officer's duties may charge a fee that is fixed by ordinance of the fiscal body and is at least five dollars (\$5) for each report.

(b) The fee collected under subsection (a) or (c) shall be deposited in the following manner:

- (1) If the department supplying a copy of the accident report is the state police department, in a separate account known as the "accident report account". The account may be expended at the discretion of the state police superintendent for a purpose reasonably related to the keeping of accident reports and records or the prevention of street and highway accidents.
- (2) If the department supplying a copy of the accident report is the sheriff, county police, or county coroner, in a separate account known as the "accident report account". The account may be expended at the discretion of the chief administrative officer of the entity that charged the fee for any purpose reasonably related to the keeping of accident reports and records or the prevention of street and highway accidents.
- (3) If the department supplying a copy of the accident report is a city or town police department, in the local law enforcement continuing education fund established by IC 5-2-8-2.

(c) The superintendent of the state police department may charge a fee in an amount that is at least five dollars (\$5) for:

- (1) each report; and
- (2) the inspection and copying of other report related data maintained by the department.

As added by P.L.198-2016, SEC.550.

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Accident response service fee prohibited

Sec. 4. A political subdivision or a local law enforcement agency may not impose or collect, or enter into a contract for the collection of, an accident response service fee on or from:

- (1) the driver of a motor vehicle; or
- (2) any other person;

involved in a motor vehicle accident.

As added by P.L.198-2016, SEC.550.